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2. (Original) A battery according to claim 1, wherein said input-output terminal is provided convexly from said battery body.

3. (Original) A battery according to claim 1, wherein said input-output terminal is a single-head plug.

4. (Original) A battery according to claim 1, wherein said input-output terminal is a single-head jack.

5. (Original) A battery according to claim 1, wherein said input-output terminal is a single jack provided concavely in said battery body.

6. (Original) A battery according to claim 1, wherein said input-output terminal includes a first-polarity terminal formed concavely in a tip of said input-output terminal and a second-polarity terminal arranged on an outside of said input-output terminal.

7. (Currently Amended) A battery ~~according to claim 1~~ comprising a battery body and a single input-output terminal fixed thereto, wherein said input-output terminal includes a positive terminal and a negative terminal which are electrically insulated from each other, wherein said input-output terminal includes a threaded first-polarity terminal formed in a tip of said input-

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output terminal and a threaded second-polarity terminal on a base portion of said input-output terminal.

8. (Currently Amended) A battery ~~according to claim 2~~ comprising a battery body and a single input-output terminal fixed thereto, wherein said input-output terminal includes a positive terminal and a negative terminal which are electrically insulated from each other,

wherein said input-output terminal is provided convexly from said battery body,

wherein said input-output terminal includes a threaded first-polarity terminal formed in a tip of said input-output terminal and a threaded second-polarity terminal on a base portion of said input-output terminal, and has a through-hole communicating into an interior of said battery body.

9. (Original) A battery according to claim 1, wherein said battery is a cylindrical secondary battery or a rectangular secondary battery.

10. (Previously Added) The battery according to claim 1, wherein the positive terminal and the negative terminal are coaxially disposed on the single input-output terminal.

11. (New) A battery according to claim 1, wherein said battery does not comprise any input-output terminals except said single input-output terminal.

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12. (New) A battery according to claim 1, wherein said battery is a secondary battery and said single input-output terminal serves as both an input terminal and an output terminal.

13. (New) An appliance connected with a battery, wherein said battery comprises a battery body and a single input-output terminal fixed thereto,

said input-output terminal includes a positive terminal and a negative terminal which are electrically insulated from each other, and

said appliance is connected with said battery via said single input-output terminal.

14. (New) A method for connected a battery to an appliance using said battery, wherein said battery comprises a battery body and a single input-output terminal fixed thereto,

said input-output terminal includes a positive terminal and a negative terminal which are electrically insulated from each other, and

said method comprises the step of connecting said battery to said appliance via said single input-output terminal.